

## **MINUTES**

### **INDIANA STATE BOARD OF NURSING**

**October 16, 2008**

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER & ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

Ms. Slagle called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m. in the Auditorium of the Indiana Government Center South Building, 302 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 and declared a quorum, in accordance with IC § 25-23-1-5(b).

##### **Board Members Present:**

Carolyn Slagle, R.N., C.N.S., President  
Jerry Burghduff, L.P.N., Secretary  
Anne Ogle, Consumer Member  
Lynda Narwold, R.N., Member  
Connie McIntosh, R.N., Member  
Marcia Laux, R.N., Member  
Stacy Henderson, L.P.N., Member  
Scott Johns, R.N., Member

##### **Board Members Absent:**

Laurel Valentino, R.N., Vice-President

##### **State Officials Present:**

Sean Gorman, Board Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency  
Michelle Hines, Assistant Board Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency  
Lisa Chapman, Litigation Specialist, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency  
Gordon White, Commission Advisory Counsel, Office of the Attorney General

#### **II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda, as amended.

SLAGLE/NARWOLD  
Motion carried 7-0-0

#### **III. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 18, 2008 MEETING OF THE BOARD**

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the minutes from the September 18, 2008 meeting of the Board.

SLAGLE/BURGHDUFF  
Motion carried 7-0-0

#### **IV. INDIANA STATE NURSES ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (ISNAP) REPORT**

Charles Lindquist, ISNAP Program Director, presented the monthly report to the Board. Mr. Lindquist informed the Board that ISNAP has, as of September 2008, 514 active clients, 25 new intakes, 65 intakes in process and 18 RMA's returned.

Mr. Lindquist informed the Board that ISNAP staff met on September 15, 2008 to review those who have applied for the "Needs Assistance Fund." They reviewed four applications and four qualified for assistance and vouchers were mailed out.

Mr. Lindquist informed the Board that ISNAP is in continued discussions with Dr. Sara Horton-Deutsch and Dr. Angela McNelis of the Indiana University School of Nursing to have advanced students do research studies using data from ISNAP.

Mr. Lindquist informed the Board that the annual workshop was received very well. Jerry Burghduff, Board Member, spoke to the Board regarding the event.

Mr. Lindquist informed the Board that ISNAP participated in the pre-bid conference for the ISNAP contract.

Mr. Lindquist spoke to the audience at the request of the Board.

## **V. EDUCATION**

### **1. Indiana Business College – Raise Currently Approved Associate Degree in Nursing Associate of Applied Science Program to an Associate Degree in Nursing Associate of Science Degree Program**

Natalie Hall and Vicki Thomas appeared on behalf of Indiana Business College. This move is being made as part of a quality improvement initiative to align the program with the National League of Nursing Accrediting Commission expectations in preparation to seek NLNAC accreditation.

They plan for this to become effective on January 5, 2009. There will be a change in credits of only 8% and the program is being adjusted from an Associate of Applied Science Degree to an Associate of Science Degree Program. The additional eight credits in the curriculum represent the addition of two general education courses.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept Indiana Business College's request.

NARWOLD/LAUX  
Motion carried 7-0-0

### **2. Ivy Tech Community College, Indianapolis – Report of Survey Visit for Paramedic to ADN Program**

Angie Koller and Gail Sprigler appeared on behalf of Ivy Tech Community College, Indianapolis. A survey was conducted on September 12, 2008 by Marcia Laux and Connie McIntosh. Ivy Tech Community College is requesting approval for an addition of a paramedic to ASN tract at their campus. The curriculum to be utilized is the current approved statewide curriculum being used by Columbus, Terre Haute and Evansville campuses. The proposed start date for this program is January, 2009. They plan to admit twenty students annually to this tract. They currently offer the traditional ASN and the LPN to ASN transitional tract.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the curriculum change.

LAUX/NARWOLD  
Motion carried 7-0-0

Ms. Sprigler requested clarification from the Board in regards to the procedures when requesting a curriculum change. Lynda Narwold, Board Member, explained to Ms. Sprigler the confusion regarding the documents they submitted in requesting a curriculum change. Ms. Narwold understood the request to be a new program and after further research it was found that the documentation submitted was an addition to their current program. The Board clarified the process to Ms. Sprigler.

### **3. MedTech College, Fort Wayne – Report of Survey Visit for RN Program**

Mary Harmon, Margaret Broadus and Peter LeBlanc appeared on behalf of MedTech College, Fort Wayne. Lynda Narwold, Board Member, conducted a survey visit on September 12, 2008. Ms. Narwold's recommendation to the Board is that MedTech be placed on initial accreditation until the next visit, which will be in one calendar year from admission of the first group of students.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the recommendations of Lynda Narwold.

SLAGLE/LAUX  
Motion carried 7-0-0

### **4. MedTech College, Greenwood – New Director of Nursing**

Inell Lumsey, BSN, MSN, RN is the new Director of Nursing. FYI for the Board.

### **5. ITT Technical Institute, Fort Wayne – Report of Survey Visit for RN Program**

Lynda Narwold, Board Member, conducted a site visit on September 25, 2008. Ms. Narwold's recommendation to the Board is that ITT Technical Institute, Fort Wayne, be placed on initial accreditation until the next visit, which will be in one calendar year from admission of the first group of students. Ms. Narwold explained her concern regarding that ITT Technical Institute did not have beds yet. However, a representative from ITT explained that they should receive them in the next week. ITT also submitted additional documentation to the Board for review.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the recommendations of Lynda Narwold.

## VI. REPORT FROM THE ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE SUBCOMMITTEE

Theresa Holland, Marcia Plant Jackson, and Catherine Jones of the Indiana State Board of Nursing's Advanced Practice Nurse Subcommittee were present at the Board as Sean Gorman outlined the status report and recommendations of the Subcommittee. The APN Subcommittee has provided a forum in which many issues concerning Advanced Practice Nursing in the State of Indiana have been discussed by a group of forward-thinking nursing professionals. The following topics have been discussed at the three APN subcommittee meetings held this summer:

1. Types of APNs: Indiana rules do not distinguish very clearly the differences between CNS and NP roles. Meeting attendees discussed clarifying the rule language in 848 IAC 4-2 and 3 to more clearly outline the different roles for the respective categories of APNs. Certified Nurse Midwives are not defined in this article along with NPs and CNS's. The meeting attendees discussed the possibility of adding language to the existing article regarding CNMs. There is a sense of general confusion about the difference in scope of practice between midwives with the limited license and CNMs that rule changes may clear up.
2. Educational requirements for initial prescriptive authorization: The meeting attendees discussed the pharmacology requirement for prescriptive authority. Currently it is a 2 credit hour of graduate pharmacology course with credit awarded from an accredited college or university. There was some discussion on clarifying this language.
3. Other requirements for initial prescriptive authorization: The meeting attendees discussed the possibility of requiring a Master's degree for all new prescriptive authorizations. Currently an applicant holding a bachelor's, the graduate pharmacology course, and a national certification may receive prescriptive authority.
4. License Verification: The PLA's online license verification reports for APNs list the collaborating physician under a field titled "Supervisor". There is discussion regarding the potential difficulty in getting that changed, although the meeting attendees agree that is not an appropriate label for the physician in the collaborative relationship with the APN.
5. National Council Proposals: Discussion took place on the subcommittee's role in providing the Board with recommendations to Indiana's delegates to the National Council's national assembly in August. The national assembly considered and adopted an APN model rule.
6. Education and Outreach: The meeting attendees preliminarily discussed the Board's opportunities to reach out those in the nursing profession and the general public to raise awareness of the APN role and the different practice specialties recognized as APNs.
7. CRNAs: Discussion about the inclusion of CRNAs as an Advanced Practice Nurse. This would require a statutory change outside the scope of the Nursing Board's authority.
8. Defining scope of practice for Advanced Practice Nurse Specialties
9. Information on practicing APNs in Indiana: There is no good source of information on what nurses are practicing as APNs, given that there are potentially many without prescriptive authority and who need no further license or certification from the Nursing Board to practice as a Nurse Practitioner or Clinical Nurse Specialist.

Ms. Jones gave a presentation regarding proposed changes recommended for the regulation of Nurse-Midwives. There is a fair amount of confusion even among those in the nursing community about the distinction between a nurse midwife with a limited license and a certified nurse midwife as discussed in the nursing rules. Discussion among the APN Subcommittee members focused on the type of outreach and rule clarifications that can be done to clear up this confusion. The Subcommittee recommends that the application process be streamlined so that nurse midwives need submit only one application where the nurse applicant can note whether or not prescriptive authority is sought. The nurse-midwives with prescriptive authority who have not received the required limited license will be contacted and required to obtain the limited license to practice nurse midwifery.

The Board requests that the specific recommendations by the Advanced Practice Nurse Subcommittee be continued to the November Board Meeting for vote.

## VII. BOARD DIRECTOR REPORT

Sean Gorman reported on the following activities by the IPLA over the past month:

- LPN renewals are proceeding smoothly, with the deadline approaching in two weeks with about half of the State's ~ 30,000 active LPNs still needing to renew.
- Mr. Gorman has been appointed to the NCSBN's newly formed continued competence committee and will be working with that group to develop a national model of continued competence demonstration requirements.

- The Professional Licensing Agency will no longer be issuing large wall certificates for new licenses. Licensees will have the option to purchase wall certificates of the type currently awarded, but will otherwise receive a smaller certificate that will be much less expensive for the agency.
- A team of individuals has developed a draft 2009 RN renewal survey that requests less information.

## **VIII. PERSONAL APPEARANCES**

A motion was made and seconded to affirm the recommendations of Jerry Burghduff for the Board on the personal appearances as follows:

SLAGLE/NARWOLD

Motion carried 5-0-1

Mr. Burghduff abstained.

### **A. Appearances by Applicants for Licensure**

#### **1. Brooke Bailey – Examination**

Ms. Bailey appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding the positive response on her application for licensure by examination. Ms. Bailey reported that she received treatment for substance use/abuse in 2002 and 2008. She has been sober as of July 18, 2008. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Bailey contact ISNAP and sign an RMA. She will be issued a license on indefinite probation for at least the length of her ISNAP RMA.

#### **2. Richard Mertens - Endorsement**

Mr. Mertens appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding the positive response on his application for licensure by endorsement. Mr. Mertens reported that he had several battery, domestic violence, disorderly conduct, and check fraud convictions as well as an OWI and diagnosis of alcohol dependence in remission during the 1990s. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Mr. Mertens be issued a license on indefinite probation with the requirement that he receive and submit to the Board a psychological evaluation with an emphasis on anger management and impulse control.

#### **3. Peter John Sobotta**

Mr. Sobotta appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding the positive response on his application for licensure by endorsement. Mr. Sobotta reported that his Wisconsin nursing license is on probation for allegations of misconduct with a patient. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Mr. Sobotta's license be issued on indefinite probation for at least the same length as his Wisconsin disciplinary order with the same terms and conditions.

#### **4. Molly Elizabeth Scott**

Ms. Scott appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding the positive response on her application for licensure by examination. Ms. Scott reported 2 minor consumption arrests and an OWI conviction in 2003. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Scott contact ISNAP and sign an RMA. She will be issued a license on indefinite probation for at least the length of her ISNAP RMA.

#### **5. Mark Lentz**

Mr. Lentz appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding the positive response on his application for licensure by examination. Mr. Lentz reported a misdemeanor conviction in 1993 for diversion of nubain. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Mr. Lentz be made eligible to test and be issued a free and clear license upon passing the exam.

#### **6. Tammy Simonson**

Ms. Simonson appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding the positive response on her application for licensure by examination. Ms. Simonson reported that her Indiana RN license was revoked in 2001 for substance abuse at work and for inappropriate conduct with patients. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Simonson's license application be denied.

## **7. Emily Brady**

Ms. Brady appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding the positive response on her application for licensure by examination. Ms. Simonson reported that she was convicted of felony theft for taking money from her employer's bank deposit bag. Mr. Burghduff recommended that she be made eligible to test and issued a probationary license of indefinite length for at least 6 months upon passing the exam.

## **8. Cynthia Houtchens**

Ms. Houtchens appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding the positive response on her application for licensure by endorsement. Ms. Houtchens reported that she is facing Kentucky disciplinary action for falsifying a CPR card. She has requested to withdraw her application, and Mr. Burghduff agreed.

## **B. Appearances by Applicants for Renewal**

### **1. Russell Wayne Ewers**

Mr. Ewers appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding the positive response on his application for renewal of his Indiana nursing license. Mr. Ewers reported accidentally indicating a yes answer on the renewal questions regarding traffic tickets. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Mr. Ewers' license be renewed.

### **2. Andrea Doreen Moss**

Ms. Moss appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding the positive response on her application for renewal of her Indiana nursing license. Ms. Moss reported a marijuana possession conviction in January of 2008, with criminal probation extending to 2009. She has already contacted ISNAP and has signed an effective RMA. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Moss' license be renewed on indefinite probation for at least the duration of her RMA with ISNAP or her criminal probation, whichever is longer.

### **3. Trena Busch**

Ms. Busch appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding the positive response on her application for renewal of her Indiana nursing license. Ms. Busch reported a July 2008 OWI conviction. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Busch contact ISNAP and sign an RMA, if eligible for ISNAP participation. She will be issued a license on indefinite probation for at least the length of her ISNAP RMA.

### **4. Dianna Lynn King**

Ms. King appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding the positive response on her application for renewal of her Indiana Nursing license. Ms. King reported 1 2007 conviction for vicarious sexual gratification for an incident involving her 13 year old daughter. She is currently on criminal probation until January of 2009. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. King's license be renewed on indefinite probation for at least the length of her criminal probation.

## **C. Appearances by Applicants for Renewal – More Than Three Years**

### **1. Laura L. Fehr**

Ms. Fehr appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding her renewal application. Ms. Fehr's license expired in 2003. Mr. Burghduff recommended that her license be renewed upon providing proof of completing 24 contact hour of CE for nurses, 6 each in the following 4 areas: Assessment, documentation, pharmacology, and legal / ethics.

### **2. Sandra Ann Nasser**

Ms. Nasser did not appear before the Board regarding her renewal application. Mr. Burghduff recommended that she be rescheduled for the November Board meeting.

### **3. Sandra Lewandowski**

Ms. Lewandowski did not appear before the Board regarding her renewal application. Mr. Burghduff recommended that Ms. Lewandowski's application for renewal of her nursing license be denied.

#### **4. Jacquelyn Baden**

Ms. Baden appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding her renewal application. Ms. Baden's license expired in 2004. Mr. Burghduff recommended that her license be renewed upon providing proof of completing 24 contact hour of CE for nurses, 6 each in the following 4 areas: Assessment, documentation, pharmacology, and legal / ethics.

#### **5. Melinda Gayle Webb**

Ms. Webb appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding her renewal application. Ms. Webb's license expired in 2001, but she has not worked full-time since 1997. Mr. Burghduff recommended that her license be renewed upon providing proof of a comprehensive orientation plan from her employer and after completing 24 contact hour of CE for nurses, 6 each in the following 4 areas: Assessment, documentation, pharmacology, and legal / ethics.

#### **6. Theresa Johnson-Disch**

Ms. Johnson-Disch appeared before Mr. Burghduff on behalf of the Board regarding her renewal application. Ms. Johnson-Disch's license expired in 2004. She brought in documentation of having completed over 24 contact hours of CE for nurses in the areas of assessment, documentation, pharmacology, and legal / ethics. Mr. Burghduff recommended to renew Ms. Johnson-Disch's license.

### **IX. PERSONAL APPEARANCES BEFORE THE FULL BOARD**

#### **A. Appearance by Applicant for Licensure**

##### **1. Rayfield Holden**

Rayfield Holden appeared before the Board regarding the positive response on his application for licensure by examination. Mr. Holden applied for licensure in Louisiana and Mississippi and was denied licensure in both states.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to deny Rayfield Holden's application for licensure by examination.

#### **B. Appearance by Probation Licensee**

##### **1. Debra Lynn Robertson**

Debra Lynn Robertson appeared before the Board regarding her quarterly appearance on probation. Ms. Robertson informed the Board that she has remained clean and sober and her date of sobriety is July 19, 2005. Ms. Robertson also informed the Board that she is currently working as a nurse.

### **X. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS**

#### **A. The following hearings were continued:**

##### **1. State of Indiana v. Benjamin Ryan Hewitt, R.N., License No. 28160854A**

Administrative Cause No. 2007 NB 0190

Re: Request to Withdraw Probation

##### **2. State of Indiana v. Dianne Gill, R.N., License No. 28056299A**

Administrative Cause No. 96 NB 029

Re: Request to Reinstate

#### **B. State of Indiana v. Karen Dark, R.N., License No. 28081785A**

Administrative Cause No. 2006 NB 0093

Re: Request to Withdraw Probation

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Karen Dark, Respondent

Morgan Wills, Deputy Attorney General for State of Indiana

#### **Respondent's Witness:**

Chuck Lindquist, ISNAP Program Director

#### **Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)

Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. McIntosh  
Ms. Narwold  
Mr. Johns

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the July 19, 2007 Board meeting. The Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order was filed on August 23, 2007.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to withdraw the probation on the Respondent's license.

SLAGLE/LAUX  
Motion carried 7-0-0

**C. State of Indiana v. Jennifer Lu Biglane, L.P.N., License No. 27050543A**

Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 077

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Jennifer Lu Biglane, Respondent  
Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**State's Witness:**

Chuck Lindquist, ISNAP Program Director

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. McIntosh  
Ms. Narwold  
Mr. Johns

**Case Summary:** A Complaint was filed on July 9, 2008 alleging the Respondent violated three counts of Indiana Code 25-1-9-4.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to place the Respondent's license on Indefinite Suspension. Further, Respondent may not petition for reinstatement until one (1) year of compliance with ISNAP and pay a fine in the amount of \$500.00 dollars. Respondent may not work as a CNA.

SLAGLE/LAUX  
Motion carried 7-0-0

**D. State of Indiana v. Debra Ann Poynter, L.P.N., License No. 27026290A**

Administrative Cause No. 2006 NB 0145

Re: Request to Withdraw Probation

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Debra Ann Poynter, Respondent  
Heather Kennedy, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Respondent's Witness:**

Chuck Lindquist, ISNAP Program Director

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. McIntosh  
Ms. Narwold  
Mr. Johns  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the November 16, 2006 Board meeting. The Decision on License Renewal Application was filed on December 5, 2006.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to withdraw the probation on the Respondent's license.

SLAGLE/BURGHDIFF  
Motion carried 8-0-0

**E. State of Indiana v. Linda Lorraine Lance, R.N., License Nos. 28100150A**

Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 002

Re: Request to Reinstate

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Linda Lorraine Lance, Respondent  
Morgan Wills, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Respondent's Witness:**

Chuck Lindquist, ISNAP Program Director

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. McIntosh  
Ms. Narwold  
Mr. Johns

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Suspension at the January 17, 2008 Board meeting. The Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order was filed on February 11, 2008.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to reinstate the Respondent's license on Indefinite Probation for the length of her RMA with ISNAP.

SLAGLE/JOHNS  
Motion carried 6-0-0

**F. State of Indiana v. Ashlee Rakoczy, R.N., License No. 28176332A**

Administrative Cause No. 2007 NB 0168

Re: Request to Withdraw Probation

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Ashlee Rakoczy, Respondent  
Heather Kennedy, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Respondent's Witness:**

Chuck Lindquist, ISNAP Program Director

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. McIntosh  
Ms. Narwold  
Mr. Johns  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the November 13, 2007 Board meeting. The Decision on License Application was filed on November 30, 2007.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to withdraw the probation on the Respondent's license.

SLAGLE/BURGHDIFF  
Motion carried 8-0-0

**G. State of Indiana v. Blanche Mae Markey, L.P.N., License No. 27008736A**

Administrative Cause No. 2000 NB 038

Re: Request to Reinstate

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear and was not represented by counsel.

Heather Kennedy, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)

Mr. Burghduff

Ms. Ogle

Ms. Laux

Ms. Narwold

Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Suspension at the April 19, 2001 Board meeting. The Findings of Fact and Order was filed on April 24, 2001.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to reschedule for the December Board meeting.

BURGHDUFF/NARWOLD

Motion carried 6-0-0

**H. State of Indiana v. Phillip Townsend, R.N., License No. 28142710A**

Administrative Cause No. 2001 NB 009

Re: Request to Reinstate

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Phillip Townsend, Respondent

Heather Kennedy, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)

Ms. Ogle

Ms. Laux

Ms. McIntosh

Ms. Narwold

Mr. Johns

Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Suspension at the June 21, 2001 Board meeting. The Findings of Fact and Order was filed on August 17, 2001.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to reinstate the Respondent's license on Indefinite Probation. Respondent may petition to have the probation withdrawn after successful completion of his RMA with ISNAP.

SLAGLE/LAUX

Motion carried 6-1-0

Ms. Ogle opposed.

**I. State of Indiana v. Ronda Deutscher, L.P.N., License No. 27060604A**

Administrative Cause No. 2007 NB 0117

Re: Request to Withdraw Probation

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Ronda Deutscher, Respondent

Heather Kennedy, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana.

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)

Mr. Burghduff

Ms. Ogle

Ms. Laux

Ms. McIntosh

Ms. Narwold

Mr. Johns

Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Suspension at the August 16, 2007 Board meeting. The Decision on License Application was filed on August 31, 2007.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to withdraw the probation on the Respondent's license.

SLAGLE/BURGHDUFF  
Motion carried 8-0-0

**J. State of Indiana v. Julie Ann Halcomb, L.P.N., License No. 27036818A**

Administrative Cause No. 2003 NB 0010

Re: Order to Show Cause

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear and was not represented by counsel.  
Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the December 13, 2007 Board meeting. The Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order was filed on December 26, 2007. An Order to Show Cause was filed on May 29, 2008.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to issue a Notice of Proposed Default.

SLAGLE/LAUX  
Motion carried 6-0-0

A motion was made and seconded to extend the Summary Suspension on the Respondent's license for an additional (90) days.

SLAGLE/BURGHDUFF  
Motion carried 6-0-0

**K. State of Indiana v. Sharon Ann Kontra, R.N., License No. 28085679A**

Administrative Cause No. 98 NB 009

Re: Request to Reinstate

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Sharon Ann Kontra, Respondent  
Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. McIntosh  
Ms. Narwold  
Mr. Johns  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Suspension at the April 20, 1998 Board meeting. The Findings of Fact and Order was filed on January 4, 2001.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to deny the Respondent's request to reinstate.

SLAGLE/BURGHDUFF  
Motion carried 6-2-0      Ms. Henderson and Mr. Johns opposed.

**L. State of Indiana v. Heidi Jo Hite, L.P.N., License No. 27049939A**

Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 066

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear and was not represented by counsel.

Morgan Wills, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)

Mr. Burghduff

Ms. Ogle

Ms. Laux

Ms. Narwold

Mr. Johns

Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** A Complaint was filed on June 3, 2008 alleging the Respondent violated two counts of Indiana Code 25-1-9-4. An Amended Complaint was filed on September 23, 2008 alleging the Respondent violated three counts of Indiana Code 25-1-9-4. An Agreement for Indefinite Extension of Summary Suspension was presented to the Board.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept the Agreement presented to the Board.

SLAGLE/LAUX

Motion carried 7-0-0

**M. State of Indiana v. David Eugene Watson, R.N., License No. 28127947A**

Administrative Cause No. 2006 NB 0015

Re: Request to Withdraw Probation

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

David Eugene Watson, Respondent

Heather Kennedy, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)

Mr. Burghduff

Ms. Ogle

Ms. Laux

Ms. McIntosh

Ms. Narwold

Mr. Johns

Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the August 17, 2006 Board meeting. The Findings of Fact, Ultimate Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order was filed on August 24, 2006.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to withdraw the probation on the Respondent's license.

SLAGLE/BURGHDUFF

Motion carried 8-0-0

**N. State of Indiana v. Terrel Ellis, L.P.N., License No. 27060050A**

Administrative Cause No. 2007 NB 0119

Re: Request to Withdraw Probation

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Terrel Ellis, Respondent

Heather Kennedy, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)

Mr. Burghduff

Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. McIntosh  
Ms. Narwold  
Mr. Johns  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the August 16, 2007 Board meeting. The Decision on License Application was filed on August 31, 2007.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to deny the Respondent's request to withdraw probation.

SLAGLE/BURGHDIFF  
Motion carried 8-0-0

**O. State of Indiana v. Emily Lois McKnelly, L.P.N., License No. 27055178A**

Administrative Cause No. 2005 NB 0212

Re: Request to Withdraw Probation

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Emily Lois McKnelly, Respondent  
Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. McIntosh  
Ms. Narwold  
Mr. Johns  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the December 13, 2007 Board meeting. The Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order was filed on December 26, 2007.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to withdraw the probation on the Respondent's license.

SLAGLE/BURGHDIFF  
Motion carried 8-0-0

**P. State of Indiana v. Veronica Lee Hedges, L.P.N., R.N., License Nos. 27034810A & 28131739A**

Administrative Cause No. 98 NB 077

Re: Request to Withdraw Probation

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Veronica Lee Hedges, Respondent  
Heather Kennedy, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. McIntosh  
Ms. Narwold  
Mr. Johns  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the January 19, 2005 Board meeting. The Final Order was mailed on February 23, 2005.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to withdraw the probation on the Respondent's license.

SLAGLE/LAUX  
Motion carried 8-0-0

- Q. State of Indiana v. Katie Melissa Lendi, L.P.N., License No. 27046870A**  
Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 101  
Re: Disciplinary Hearing

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent was not present and was not represented by counsel.  
Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** A Complaint was filed on September 10, 2008 alleging the Respondent violated six counts of Indiana Code 25-1-9-4. The State requested a continuance before the Board.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to reschedule the hearing for the November Board meeting.

SLAGLE/BURGHDIFF  
Motion carried 6-0-0

- R. State of Indiana v. James Franklin, R.N., N.P., License Nos. 28135849A & 71001453A**  
Administrative Cause No. 2004 NB 0014  
Re: Request to Reinstate

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

James Franklin, Respondent  
Morgan Wills, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Respondent's Witness:**

Chuck Lindquist, ISNAP Program Director

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Narwold  
Mr. Johns  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Suspension at the April 21, 2005 Board meeting. The Findings of Fact and Order and Order to Show Cause was filed on August 4, 2005.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to deny the Respondent's request to reinstate and modify his original Suspension Order by continuing Respondent's license on Indefinite Suspension and further requiring one (1) year of compliance with ISNAP.

OGLE/LAUX  
Motion carried 7-0-0

- S. State of Indiana v. Cynthia Skatrud, L.P.N., License No. 27022768A**  
Administrative Cause No. 2004 NB 0207  
Re: Order to Show Cause

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Cynthia Skatrud, Respondent  
Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Respondent's Witness:**

Charles Lindquist, ISNAP Program Director

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)

Mr. Burghduff

Ms. Ogle

Ms. Laux

Ms. McIntosh

Ms. Narwold

Mr. Johns

Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the April 20, 2006 Board meeting. The Findings of Fact and Order was filed on April 27, 2006. An Order to Show Cause was filed on August 29, 2008.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to place the Respondent's license on Indefinite Suspension. Further, Respondent may not petition for reinstatement until one (1) full year of compliance with ISNAP. Prior to petitioning for reinstatement, Respondent shall pay a fine in the amount of \$250.00 dollars. For the length of her Indefinite Suspension, Respondent shall make quarterly appearances before the Board. At the time of her quarterly appearance, Respondent shall provide the Board with a status report from her current treating psychiatrist.

SLAGLE/BURGHDUFF

Motion carried 7-0-1

Ms. Narwold abstained.

**T. State of Indiana v. Gabrielle Schmidt, L.P.N., License No. 27037788A**

Administrative Cause No. 98 NB 072

Re: Request to Withdraw Probation

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Gabrielle Schmidt, Respondent

Morgan Wills, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)

Mr. Burghduff

Ms. Ogle

Ms. Laux

Ms. Narwold

Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the February 18, 1999 Board meeting. The Findings of Fact and Order was filed on November 29, 2000.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to deny the Respondent's request to withdraw probation.

SLAGLE/LAUX

Motion carried 3-3-0

Mr. Burghduff, Ms. Narwold and Ms. Henderson opposed.

A motion was made and seconded to deny the Respondent's request to withdraw probation, but modify the original Probation Order by requiring four (4) additional months of supervisor reports.

SLAGLE/BURGHDUFF

Motion carried 6-0-0

**U. State of Indiana v. John Robert Majewski, L.P.N., License No. 27059365A**

Administrative Cause No. 2007 NB 0074

Re: Order to Show Cause

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

John Robert Majewski, Respondent

Morgan Wills, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Respondent's Witness:**

Chuck Lindquist, ISNAP Program Director

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Henderson  
Mr. Johns

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the May 16, 2007 Board meeting. The Decision on License Application was filed on May 21, 2007. An Order to Show Cause was filed on September 11, 2008.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded for the Respondent's license to remain on Indefinite Probation with the original Final Order's stipulations.

SLAGLE/LAUX  
Motion carried 7-0-0

**V. State of Indiana v. Shannon Rose Bryan (Sowers), R.N., License No. 28143628A**

Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 059

Re: Order to Show Cause

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear and was not represented by counsel.  
Heather Kennedy, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the May 15, 2008 Board meeting. The Decision on License Application was filed on May 22, 2008. An Order to Show Cause was filed on September 11, 2008.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to issue a Notice of Proposed Default.

SLAGLE/BURGHDUFF  
Motion carried 6-0-0

**W. State of Indiana v. Helen M. Gartner, R.N., License No. 281133320A**

Administrative Cause No. 2007 NB 0149

Re: Order to Show Cause

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Helen M. Gartner, Respondent  
Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Henderson  
Mr. Johns

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the October 18, 2007 Board meeting. The Decision on License Renewal was filed on October 25, 2007. An Order to Show Cause was filed on September 15, 2008.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to place the Respondent's license on Indefinite Suspension. Prior to petitioning for reinstatement, Respondent shall demonstrate one (1) year of complete sobriety in an ISNAP RMA. Further, Respondent must pay a fine in the amount of \$250.00 dollars and Respondent may not work in any healthcare field.

SLAGLE/BURGHDIFF  
Motion carried 7-0-0

**X. State of Indiana v. Kimberly Sue Jahn, L.P.N., License No. 27037251A**

Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 078

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear and was not represented by counsel.  
Heather Kennedy, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** A Complaint was filed on September 23, 2008 alleging the Respondent violated two counts of Indiana Code 25-1-9-4.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to continue the hearing and reschedule for the November Board meeting.

SLAGLE/LAUX  
Motion carried 6-0-0

**Y. State of Indiana v. Amanda Bridgewater, R.N., License No. 28160023A**

Administrative Cause No. 2007 NB 0186

Re: Order to Show Cause

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Amanda Bridgewater, Respondent  
Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Henderson  
Mr. Johns

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the December 13, 2007 Board meeting. The Decision on License Renewal Application was filed on December 27, 2007. An Order to Show Cause was filed on September 25, 2008.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to continue the Indefinite Probation on the Respondent's license. Further, Respondent may not petition for withdraw of probation until her RMA is complete and she pays a fine in the amount of \$500.00 dollars.

SLAGLE/BURGHDIFF  
Motion carried 7-0-0

**Z. State of Indiana v. Jeanene Kay Neely, L.P.N., License No. 27052103A**

Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 115

Re: Disciplinary Hearing

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear and was not represented by counsel.

Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** A Complaint was filed on September 17, 2008 alleging the Respondent violated three counts of Indiana Code 25-1-9-4.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to issue a Notice of Proposed Default.

SLAGLE/HENDERSON  
Motion carried 6-0-0

**AA. State of Indiana v. Holly Anne Cowden, L.P.N., License No. 27047809A**

Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 114  
Re: Disciplinary Hearing

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear and was not represented by counsel.  
Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** A Complaint was filed on September 17, 2008 alleging the Respondent violated two counts of Indiana Code 25-1-9-4.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to issue a Notice of Proposed Default.

SLAGLE/LAUX  
Motion carried 6-0-0

**BB. State of Indiana v. Tara Michelle Lutz-Busack, L.P.N., License No. 27048526A**

Administrative Cause No. 2006 NB 0128  
Re: Order to Show Cause

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Tara Michelle Lutz-Busack, Respondent  
Morgan Wills, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Respondent's Witness:**

Chuck Lindquist, ISNAP Program Director

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Henderson  
Mr. Johns

**Case Summary:** Respondent's license was placed on Indefinite Probation at the January 17, 2007 Board meeting. The Findings of Fact, Ultimate Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order was filed on February 11, 2008. An Order to Show Cause was filed on September 24, 2008.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to place the Respondent's license on Indefinite Suspension for a period of ninety (90) days of full compliance with ISNAP. Prior to petitioning for reinstatement, Respondent must pay a fine in the amount of \$750.00 dollars for again violating the original Order of February 20, 2007 and for her noncompliance with ISNAP and Respondent must pay costs to IPLA.

SLAGLE/OGLE  
Motion carried 7-0-0

## **XI. NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEFAULTS**

### **A. State of Indiana v. Jinny Marie Routh, L.P.N., R.N., License Nos. 27037771A & 28150132A**

Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 076

Re: Notice of Proposed Default

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear and was not represented by counsel.  
Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

#### **Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Ogle  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent did not appear at the hearing scheduled on August 21, 2008. The Notice of Proposed Default Order was filed on September 16, 2008. A response was received from the Respondent.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to reschedule the hearing for the November Board meeting.

SLAGLE/BURGHDIFF  
Motion carried 6-0-0

### **B. State of Indiana v. Rebecca Owen, R.N., License No. 28096891A**

Administrative Cause No. 99 NB 052

Re: Notice of Proposed Default

#### **Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear and was not represented by counsel.  
Heather Kennedy, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

#### **Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Ogle  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** Respondent did not appear at the hearing scheduled on August 21, 2008. The Extension of Summary Suspension and Notice of Proposed Default Order was filed on September 16, 2008. There has been no response received from the Respondent.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to place the Respondent's license on Indefinite Suspension for a period of ninety-nine (99) years.

SLAGLE/OGLE  
Motion carried 6-0-0

## **XII. DELIBERATION AND POSSIBLE ISSUANCE OF FINAL ORDERS**

### **A. Settlement Agreements**

1. **State of Indiana v. Tracey Michele Alderton, R.N., License No. 28146196A**  
Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 103  
Re: Proposed Settlement Agreement

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent was not present and was not represented by counsel.  
Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Mr. Burghduff  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Henderson

**Case Summary:** An Agreement was filed on October 15, 2008. The Agreement included Respondent must pay a fine in the amount of \$500.00 dollars within ninety (90) days from the date of the Final Order.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept the Agreement.

SLAGLE/BURGHDUFF  
Motion carried 6-0-0

2. **State of Indiana v. Kimberly Lynn Blass, R.N., License No. 28122258A**  
Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 102  
Re: Proposed Settlement Agreement

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Kimberly Lynn Blass, Respondent  
Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Henderson  
Mr. Johns

**Case Summary:** An Agreement was filed on October 16, 2008. The Agreement included placing the Respondent's license on Indefinite Probation. Respondent may petition for withdraw of probation after completion of her ISNAP contract.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept the Agreement.

LAUX/JOHNS  
Motion carried 6-0-0

3. **State of Indiana v. Lorraine Raye Garland, R.N., License No. 28157586A**  
Administrative Cause No. 2008 NB 089  
Re: Proposed Settlement Agreement

**Parties and Counsel Present:**

Respondent did not appear and was not represented by counsel.  
Laura Wilford, Deputy Attorney General for the State of Indiana

**Participating Board Members:**

Ms. Slagle (Hearing Officer)  
Ms. Ogle  
Ms. Laux  
Ms. Narwold  
Ms. Henderson  
Mr. Burghduff

**Case Summary:** A Settlement Agreement was filed on September 23, 2008. The Agreement included placing the Respondent's license on Indefinite Probation for a period of two (2) years from the date of the Final Order. Further, Respondent must pay a fine in the amount of \$500.00 dollars.

**Board Action:** A motion was made and seconded to accept the Agreement.

SLAGLE/HENDERSON  
Motion carried 6-0-0

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, and having completed its duties, the meeting of the Indiana State Board of Nursing adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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**Carolyn Slagle, R.N., C.N.S., President**

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**Date**

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**Jerry Burghduff, L.P.N., Secretary**

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**Date**